

Information about your water, drainage, wastewater and solid waste utility services.

Use Water Wisely

Peak residential water rates are in effect from May 16 through September 15 each year. Peak rates use a three-tiered rate structure with progressively higher rates as water consumption increases. These rates encourage us to use water wisely.

2017 Residential Water Rates



Seasonal Water Usage	Inside City Limits	Outside City Limits	Shoreline, Lake Forest Park
Off-Peak (Sept. 16–May 15)	\$5.15	\$5.87	\$6.25
Peak (May 16–Sept. 15)			
First Tier: Up to 5 CCF* per month	\$5.29	\$6.03	\$6.42
Second Tier: Next 13 CCF per month	\$6.54	\$7.46	\$7.93
Third Tier: Over 18 CCF per month	\$11.80	\$13.45	\$14.31

*One CCF equals 100 cubic feet or 748 gallons of water

Salmon Need Our Help

Salmon are an iconic part of our Pacific Northwest ecosystem. Please do your part to protect salmon and their freshwater habitat by using water wisely, especially in the summer and fall, when the weather is dry and stream flows are at their lowest.

See the Salmon

Beginning in July, witness your water-saving work as salmon make their annual migration home to our local streams. For more information, go to www.kingcounty.gov/salmon and click on “Salmon SEEson.”



Oil That Leaks from Your Car Ends up in Puget Sound

When it rains, stormwater runoff—rainfall that flows over paved surfaces—carries oil and other fluids that drip from our cars into local rivers, streams, lakes and Puget Sound, hurting wildlife and habitat. Learn how to find and fix auto leaks to help protect our waters.

Participate in a FREE Auto Leaks Workshop this summer! Have your car inspected by a certified automotive instructor and learn to fix leaks.

Summer Classes:

Saturdays, June 17 and July 22
9:00 am–1:00 pm
South Seattle College

For details or to register, go to www.seattle.gov/util/autoleaks.



Pledge to Protect Water Quality. Get Good Deals.



Seattle Public Utilities is offering free Chinook Books and mobile coupons to customers who pledge to Protect Water Quality. (*While supplies last.*)

Go to: www.surveymonkey.com/r/protectingseattleswaterways2.



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High Water Bill? Could be Your Toilet.

Consider replacing your old toilet with a water-saving model —1.1 gallons per flush or less—to save water and reduce your water bill!

Not convinced? Here are two common questions we hear from customers considering a more efficient toilet:

Q: Aren't water-saving toilets expensive?

A: Not necessarily. Plus, there's a rebate!

One of the most popular low-flow toilets on the market can be found for around \$100. And don't forget: Seattle Public Utilities offers a \$100 rebate for replacing your old toilet with a more efficient model!

Q: Will a water-saving toilet work as well as my old one?

A: New, efficient toilets perform just as well as older ones.

Here's what one customer recently wrote about their new water-saving toilet:



"Our new toilet is an engineering marvel! Even though it's only a 1.0 gallon flush, it flushes better than the 1.6 gallon toilet in our other bathroom." - SPU Customer

For more information on Seattle Public Utilities' \$100 toilet rebate, go to www.savingwater.org/rebates.

Is Your Garden Ready for Summer?

Summer means warmer, drier days around Puget Sound. Take these steps to prepare your garden for the warm summer months:

- **Create healthy soil by adding compost.**
Healthy soil makes healthy plants, and healthy plants require less water.
- **Add 2-3 inches of woodchip mulch to tree beds.**
Adding mulch reduces the need for watering.
- **Avoid planting new plants in the summer.**
New plants get the best start when planted during fall or spring rains.
- **Update your sprinkler system and get a \$100 rebate.**
Do you have a sprinkler system? Replace your existing sprinkler timer with a WaterSense irrigation timer and you'll be eligible to receive a \$100 rebate. For details, go to www.savingwater.org/rebates.

Saving Water Partnership

For more tips on preparing your garden for summer, go to www.savingwater.org.

Garden Hotline

For answers to all your gardening and landscape questions, visit www.GardenHotline.org or call the Garden Hotline at 206-633-0224.



Where Does It Go?

Not sure if something is garbage, recycling, or compost? Use our new and improved look-up tool!

Find it online at www.seattle.gov/util/wheredoesitgo.



Coming Soon: Water Quality Report

Seattle's water is among the best in the nation. Seattle Public Utilities' annual Drinking Water Quality Report gives you a chance to learn more about the quality and safety of the water you drink every day. Reports will arrive in mailboxes this June.

To see reports from previous years, go to www.seattle.gov/util/waterquality.



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